

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

IN RE: )  
Karl W. Krouse ) **Case No. 23-10173-GLT**  
Betty C. Krouse )  
) **Chapter 13**  
Debtor(s). ) Related to Doc. No. 13  
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**ORDER OF COURT**  
**(Check Boxes That Apply)**

☒ **Confirming Plan on Final Basis** ☒ **Chapter 13 Plan dated:**  
4/18/23

☐ **Authorizing Distributions Under Plan** ☐ **Amended Chapter 13 dated:**  
**On Interim Basis Solely as Adequate** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Protection**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Chapter 13 Plan Payment is \$825 effective 5/1/23.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that pursuant to the plan identified above (the “Plan”), as the same may be modified by this Order, the Chapter 13 Trustee is authorized to make distributions to creditors holding allowed claims from available funds on hand. Such distributions shall commence no earlier than the Chapter 13 Trustee’s next available distribution date after the first day of the month following the date on which this Order is entered on the Court’s docket.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that those terms of the Plan which are not expressly modified by this Order shall remain in full force and effect. To the extent any terms and conditions of the Plan are in conflict with this Order, the terms of this Order shall supersede and replace any conflicting terms and conditions of the Plan.

**1. Unique Provisions Applicable Only to This Case: *Only those provisions which are checked below apply to this case:***

- ☒ A. For the remainder of the Plan term, the periodic monthly Plan payment is amended to be \$870 beginning 6/23. To the extent there is no wage attachment in place or if an existing wage attachment is insufficient to fund the Plan payments, counsel to the Debtor(s) shall within seven (7) days hereof file a wage attachment motion (or motions) to fully fund the Plan payments, or shall sign up for and commence payments under the Trustee’s TFS online payment program.

- ☐ B. The length of the Plan is changed to a total of at least \_\_\_\_ months. This statement of duration of the Plan is an approximation. The Plan shall not be completed until the goals of the Plan have been achieved.
- ☐ C. To the extent this Order is entered as a form of adequate protection, the Trustee is authorized to distribute to secured and priority creditors with percentage fees payable to the Chapter 13 Trustee on receipt as provided for in 28 U.S.C. §586. ***Continued conciliation conferences before the Trustee or contested hearings before the Court shall proceed on such dates and times as appear on the case docket.*** The Trustee is deemed to have a continuous objection to the Plan until such time the Plan is confirmed on a final basis.

**PARTIES ARE REMINDED OF THEIR DUTY TO MONITOR THE COURT'S DOCKET AND ATTEND DULY SCHEDULED HEARINGS. THE PARTIES ARE FURTHER REMINDED OF THEIR DUTY TO MEET AND CONFER AND OTHERWISE ENGAGE IN GOOD FAITH SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS WITH RESPECT TO ANY OBJECTION TO PLAN CONFIRMATION. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE DUTIES MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST THE OFFENDING PARTY.**

- ☐ D. Plan confirmation is subject to the resolution of all actions to determine the avoidability, priority, or extent of liens; including determination of the allowed amount of secured claims under *11 U.S.C. §506*, disputes over the amount and allowance of claims entitled to priority under *11 U.S.C. §507*, and all objections to claims.
- ☐ E. The allowed claims of general unsecured creditors shall be paid from available funds on a pro rata basis, which may represent an increase or decrease in the amount projected in the Plan.
- ☐ F. The following utility creditor \_\_\_\_\_ shall be paid monthly payments of \$\_\_\_\_\_ beginning with the Trustee's next distribution and continuing for the duration of the Plan's term, to be applied by that creditor to its administrative claim, ongoing budget payments and/or security deposit. These payments shall be at the third distribution level.
- ☐ G. The claims of the following creditors shall govern as to amount, classification and rate of interest (or as otherwise noted), unless the Debtor(s) successfully objects to the claim:
- ☐ H. The secured claims of the following creditors shall govern as to claim amount, to be paid at the modified plan interest rate in a monthly amount to be determined by Trustee to pay the claim in full during the Plan term:

- ☐ I. The secured claim(s) of the following creditors shall govern as to claim amount, to be paid at the indicated interest rate in a monthly amount to be determined by Trustee to pay in full during the Plan term:
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- ☐ J. The secured claim(s) of the following creditor(s) shall govern, following all allowed post-petition payment change notices filed of record:
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- ☒ K. Additional Terms and Conditions:
- *All plan payments must be by TFS, WA, or (where eligible) ACH. Trustee reserves the right to reject money orders or cashier's checks, provided further that if she, in her discretion, presents such items for payments she may keep the funds on hold for more than 30 days before distributing on such types of payments. Debtors making payments by money order or cashier's check assume the risk that distributions under the plan will be delayed because of the failure to pay by one of the approved methods.*
  - *M&T Bank Cl.#1 to be paid following the plan pending the outcome of the LMP.*
  - *To the extent the Plan is confirmed pre-bar date(s), creditors will be paid per plan in the plan amount (or as superseded by this Confirmation Order or other Order of Court) notwithstanding a claim in a greater amount. Debtor is responsible to review all proofs of claims as filed and to take such action(s), including modification of the Plan or this Confirmation Order, as is necessary to address claim discrepancies and/or to address other subsequent events that will affect the adequacy of plan funding.*
  - *To the extent Plan is confirmed before the completion of any contemplated litigation or LMP or other contingency set forth in the plan or this Order, creditors will be paid per plan (or as superseded by this Order or other subsequent Order(s) of Court) pending the completion of the litigation / LMP or the realization of the contingency. Debtor(s) are solely responsible for compliance with the terms of the plan, confirmation order(s), and other Orders of Court, and are obligated to promptly address the resolution of any contemplated litigation or LMP or other subsequent events that will affect the adequacy of plan funding by way of an amended plan or stipulated order or by other Order of Court.*

**2. Deadlines. The following deadlines are hereby established and apply to this case:**

**A. Applications to retain brokers, sales agents, or other professionals.** If the Plan contemplates a sale or sales of assets or the recovery of litigation proceeds as a source of funding, Debtor(s) shall file motion(s) to employ the necessary professionals within thirty (30) days hereof.

**B. Review of Claims Docket and Objections to Claims.** Pursuant to *W.P.A.LBR 3021-1(c)(2)*, the Debtor(s) (or Debtor(s)' attorney, if represented), shall review the proofs of claim filed in this case and shall file objections (1) to any disputed timely filed claims within ninety (90) days after the claims bar date, or (2) to any disputed late filed or amended claims within ninety (90) days after the amended and/or late claims are filed and served. Absent a timely objection or further order of the Court, the timely filed proof of claim will govern as to the classification and amount of the claim; provided however, no creditor shall receive a distribution in this case until such time as the relevant allowed claim is provided for in the Plan or any subsequent amended plan.

**C. Motions or Complaints Pursuant to §§506, 507 or 522.** All actions to determine the priority, avoidability, or extent of liens, and all actions pursuant to *11 U.S.C. §§506, 507 and 522* shall be filed within ninety (90) days after the claims bar date.

**D. Filing Amended Plans or Other Stipulation.** Within fourteen (14) days after the Bankruptcy Court resolves the priority of a claim, avoidability of a lien or interest, or extent of a lien, or any objection to claim, the Debtor(s) shall file an Amended Plan or Stipulated Order Modifying Plan to provide for the allowed amount of the lien or claim if the allowed amount and/or treatment differs from the amount and/or treatment stated in the Plan. The Debtor(s) or Counsel for Debtor(s) should inquire with the Chapter 13 Trustee regarding whether an Amended Plan or proposed Stipulated Order Modifying Plan is the preferred course of action. In addition, if after the conclusion of the claims bar date and any associated litigation, the Plan is underfunded, Debtor(s) shall also file (1) an amended Plan increasing the monthly Plan payment, and (2) a revised wage attachment to provide for the increased funding.

**3. Additional Provisions. The following additional provisions apply in this case:**

**A.** Any creditor who files or amends a proof of claim shall serve a copy on the Debtor(s) or counsel for the Debtor(s).

**B.** The Trustee shall hold in reserve any distributions under the Plan to any creditor who holds a claim that is provided for in the Plan but which is subject to a duly filed claims objection. Upon entry of further order of the Court, or ultimate allowance of the disputed claim provided for in the Plan, the Trustee may release the reserve and make distribution to the affected creditor. Unless otherwise permitted by separate Order of Court, Trustee shall not commence distributions to unsecured creditors until after the later of the government bar date and a filed notice of an intention to pay claims (the later date being the "Earliest Unsecured Distribution Date"). Trustee may, but has no obligation to, further defer distributions to unsecured creditors until a later date after the Earliest Unsecured Distribution Date.

**C.** Any creditor whose payment changes due to variable interest rates, change in escrow, or change in monthly payments, shall notify the Trustee, Debtor(s)' counsel and Debtor(s) at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the change taking effect.

**D.** Debtor(s)' counsel must file a fee application in accordance with *W.P.A.LBR 2016-1* before attorney fees in excess of the "no look" provision (including retainer) will be allowed or paid.

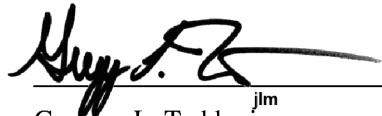
**E.** The Trustee shall file a *Certificate of Default and Request for Dismissal* of the case in the event of a material Plan default.

**F.** In the event that any order is entered in this case granting relief from the automatic stay to a secured creditor, then the Trustee shall make no further disbursements to any creditor on account of any allowed ***secured claim*** (that is secured by the property subject to the relief from stay order), unless otherwise directed by further Order of Court.

**G.** The Debtor(s) shall maintain all policies of insurance on all property of the Debtor(s) and this estate as required by law and/or contract.

**H.** The Debtor(s) shall pay timely all post-confirmation tax liabilities directly to the appropriate taxing authorities as they become due.

Dated: June 8, 2023

  
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Gregory L. Taddonio

Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

cc: All Parties in Interest to be served by Clerk

In re:  
Karl W. Krouse  
Betty C. Krouse  
Debtors

Case No. 23-10173-GLT  
Chapter 13

## CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE

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+	Addresses marked '+' were corrected by inserting the ZIP, adding the last four digits to complete the zip +4, or replacing an incorrect ZIP. USPS regulations require that automation-compatible mail display the correct ZIP.

Notice by first class mail was sent to the following persons/entities by the Bankruptcy Noticing Center on Jun 10, 2023:

Recip ID	Recipient Name and Address
db/jdb	+ Karl W. Krouse, Betty C. Krouse, 4408 Wilcox Road, Wilcox, PA 15870-2216
15588965	+ Geraldine M. Linn, Esquire, KML Law Group, PC, 701 Market Street, Suite 5000, Philadelphia, PA 19106-1541
15588966	+ Holiday Financial Serv, 300 Walmart Dr Ste 150, Ebensburg, PA 15931-4214

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Notice by electronic transmission was sent to the following persons/entities by the Bankruptcy Noticing Center.

Electronic transmission includes sending notices via email (Email/text and Email/PDF), and electronic data interchange (EDI). Electronic transmission is in Eastern Standard Time.

Recip ID	Notice Type: Email Address	Date/Time	Recipient Name and Address
15588963	+ Email/Text: backoffice@affirm.com	Jun 08 2023 18:45:00	Affirm, Inc., Attn: Bankruptcy, 30 Isabella St, Floor 4, Pittsburgh, PA 15212-5862
15588964	+ Email/Text: bankruptcy_notifications@ccsusa.com	Jun 08 2023 18:45:00	Credit Collection Services, Attn: Bankruptcy, 725 Canton St, Norwood, MA 02062-2679
15600339	Email/Text: ECMCBKNotices@ecmc.org	Jun 08 2023 18:44:00	Educational Credit Management Corporation, P.O. Box 16408, St. Paul, MN 551160408
15602519	Email/PDF: resurgentbknofications@resurgent.com	Jun 08 2023 18:50:03	LVNV Funding, LLC, Resurgent Capital Services, PO Box 10587, Greenville, SC 29603-0587
15597491	Email/Text: camanagement@mtb.com	Jun 08 2023 18:44:00	M&T BANK, P.O. Box 840, Buffalo, NY 14240-0840
15588967	Email/Text: camanagement@mtb.com	Jun 08 2023 18:44:00	M&T Bank, 1 Fountain Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14203
15588968	+ Email/PDF: cbp@onemainfinancial.com	Jun 08 2023 18:50:02	OneMain Financial, Attn: Bankruptcy, Po Box 3251, Evansville, IN 47731-3251
15607435	Email/PDF: PRA_BK2_CASE_UPDATE@portfoliorecovery.com	Jun 08 2023 18:50:14	Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC, POB 12914, Norfolk VA 23541
15588969	+ Email/PDF: gecsed@recoverycorp.com	Jun 08 2023 18:50:21	Syncb/Harbor Freight, Attn: Bankruptcy, Po Box 965060, Orlando, FL 32896-5060
15602274	+ Email/Text: bankruptcy@firstenergycorp.com	Jun 08 2023 18:45:00	West Penn Power, 5001 NASA Blvd, Fairmont WV 26554-8248

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## BYPASSED RECIPIENTS

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## NOTICE CERTIFICATION

I, **Gustava Winters**, declare under the penalty of perjury that I have sent the attached document to the above listed entities in the manner shown, and prepared the Certificate of Notice and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

**Meeting of Creditor Notices only (Official Form 309):** Pursuant to Fed .R. Bank. P.2002(a)(1), a notice containing the complete Social Security Number (SSN) of the debtor(s) was furnished to all parties listed. This official court copy contains the redacted SSN as required by the bankruptcy rules and the Judiciary's privacy policies.

Date: Jun 10, 2023

Signature: /s/Gustava Winters

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## CM/ECF NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING

The following persons/entities were sent notice through the court's CM/ECF electronic mail (Email) system on June 8, 2023 at the address(es) listed below:

Name	Email Address
Brian Nicholas	on behalf of Creditor M&T BANK bnicholas@kmlawgroup.com
Kenneth P. Seitz	on behalf of Joint Debtor Betty C. Krouse thedebterasers@aol.com
Kenneth P. Seitz	on behalf of Debtor Karl W. Krouse thedebterasers@aol.com
Office of the United States Trustee	ustpreion03.pi.ecf@usdoj.gov
Ronda J. Winnecour	cmecf@chapter13trusteewdpa.com

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